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1. Two of the five Polish merchant vessels under construction at the Gdansk (Danzig) shipyards are to remain there until completion, the date of which is uncertain since the skilled workers are constantly being switched over to the Soviet vessels which are also under construction there. Each of the two vessels has been fitted with a Diesel main engine.
2. Three of the hulls of these five merchant vessels are to be transferred to Dutch shipyards for completion and fitting with Diesel engines. The contract between the Polish authorities and the Dutch shipyards has not yet been signed.
3. In addition to the two engines already installed at Gdansk, two more are being held there pending transfer to the Dutch shipyards where the other three vessels are to be completed. The fifth engine required is still at the Adriatic Shipyard at Monfalcone, Italy, where it has been ready for delivery for about a year. It is held up because Czechoslovakia has not yet fulfilled her part of the tripartite compensation agreement by which payment for this engine was to be provided (sic).

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Comment: It is believed that reference to the

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S.S. GDANSK, LODZ, GDYNIA, SZCZECIN, and NOWA HUTA. The NOWA HUTA, however, was completely finished in July 1952.

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the S.S. GDANSK (4,000 tons) was to be completed and the hull was about to be towed along with the engines for this vessel.

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The report further stated that similar negotiations were being conducted for the S.S. LODZ.

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